

REMARKS

By this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, Applicants cancel claims 8-45, without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants reserve the right to present the subject matter of claims 8-45 at a later date, for example in this application or an application claiming the benefit of priority directly or ultimately to this application.

Also by this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, Applicants add new claims 71-85. Claims 71-77 are identical to original claims 1-7 filed with this application and claims 78-85 are identical to claims 8-15 presented in the Preliminary Amendment filed June 19, 2000 in U.S. Application No. 09/534,038, to which this application claims the benefits of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120. The Preliminary Amendment filed June 19, 2000 is referenced in the copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney originally-filed in U.S. Application No. 09/534,038 and being submitted concurrently herewith.

Claims 46-85 thus are currently pending in this application.

Applicants request entry of this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this Second Supplemental Preliminary Amendment and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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